

DIVINE ANNOUNCES PROMOTIONS

Promotion of Inspector Alden W. Sagehorn to the rank of lieutenant and advancements or assignment changes involving 15 other officers were announced today by Chief of Police Lester J. Divine.

Sagehorn, 39, a member of the Police Department since 1938, fills a lieutenant's vacancy caused by the recent elevation of Lieut. Herbert L. Kline to captain heading the personnel and training division.

Sagehorn will be assigned to the service division, taking over the post held by Lieut. Tyler P. Armstrong, who goes to the personnel and training division.

The appointments, other promo-

tions and transfers are effective Monday.

Divine termed the shifts merely a periodic change of assignments.

The other action:

Sgt. Leonard T. Fake and Sgt. Harold W. Kerrison, who have been acting inspectors, receive permanent inspector appointments.

Two other sergeants, Oscar L. Douglass and Martin R. Hansen, receive temporary appointments as inspectors.

Patrolmen Magner W. Thompson, Ernest A. Clark and Samuel L. Madsen—all appointed sergeants.

Patrolmen Henry T. Rose and Lowell M. Johns, assigned as acting sergeants.

Sgt. Wallace W. Hewitt Jr. transferred from the service division to eastern division.

Sgt. Joseph L. Berkery, transferred from the service division to Hewitt's post in service division.

Patrolman Charles W. McGovern, assigned from traffic to northern division; Patrolman Eugene E. Gilbert, from personnel and training to traffic, and Patrolman Chester C. Frazee, from northern division to service in the radio room at the City Hall.

Sagehorn, who joined the force on November 1, 1938, became a sergeant five years later and was appointed an inspector in February, 1946. His home is at 3291 Morcom Avenue.

POLICE JAIL FIVE FILIPINOS AFTER DANCE HALL FIGHT

Police arrested five Filipinos early yesterday for attacking a police officer when he attempted to break up a fight at a dance hall at Seventh and Henry Streets.

The officer, Patrolman Harold Kerrison, was treated for cuts and bruises over most of his body. His uniform was torn off and his gun and club seized by the rioters.

Those arrested were Henry Valenzuela, 21; Joe Fernandez, 37; Salvadore Sala, 30; Henry Perez, 27, and Philip Castaneda, 23.

Kerrison was sent to the dance hall when a special officer there called for aid. The officer said a fight had started and he was unable to halt it.

Kerrison fought his way through the milling crowd to the fighters and ordered them to stop. Instead, they and others in the crowd turned on Kerrison, beating and kicking him. He went down under a rain of blows and someone in the mob seized his gun and club.

At that moment, Patrolman Wesley Risedorph, who had been ordered there from another part of town, arrived. He waded into the melee and fought the Filipinos away from the fallen Kerrison.

Together the officers arrested the five men and took them to jail, where they are being held for in-

GANG FREES MAN HELD BY POLICE AS ROBBERY SUSPECT

One man was held for investigation by Oakland police today as the result of a near-riot in which a gang of men freed a robbery suspect who was in the custody of an officer.

Patrolman Harold W. Kerrison said he was attacked by 40 men who beat him on the face and body, knocked his gun from his hand and

Ambulance Man Becomes Case

From ambulance crewman to ambulance case.

That was the "in reverse" role in which Oakland Police Patrolman Harold Kerrison, 2314 Leimert Boulevard, was cast in yesterday.

With Patrolman William O'Brien at the wheel of the ambulance, they were speeding to the Prescott School, Ninth and Campbell Streets, to pick up Alfred Romero, 16, who had suffered a leg injury.

At 10th and Adeline Streets, the police ambulance crashed into the under-carriage of a 15-ton truck and semi-trailer driven by Kenneth